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The Teachers' Institute.

(Continued from last week.)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22.

Reading of minutes. Reports called for, not presented. "American Literature—Period of Republic," using the Institute as a class, by W. W. Dover. "Revolutionary Period, Calling Attention to Historians, Balladists, etc." by Miss Gilliam. "Grammar Infinitives, How to Teach," Institute as a class, by L. F. Faselier. "Diagraming," by Profs. W. W. Dover and W. H. Adamson and Miss Gilliam. Address by Rev. M. L. Darby.

RECESS.

The wish of the Institute was more Grammar. "Verbs, Infinitives, Participles," by Dr. Roller. "Importance of Mental Arithmetic," by Mrs. W. L. Spradling and Miss Ruby Langford. Mental Arithmetic discussed pro and con by Profs. Roller, Adamson, Cannon and Hickman.

NOON.

Roll call. "Spelling—Diacritical marking—Written versus Oral," by Misses Buchanan and Annie Hunnam. "History of Education—The Romans," by Prof. T. C. Hickman. "Mothers' Instructive Influence," by Dr. Roller. "Why is Lack of Interest and Appreciation of Poetry on the Part of the Pupils due to the Teacher's Lack of Knowledge of the Structure of Poetry and Appreciation of Poetry and Methods of Teaching it," Mrs. W. L. Spradling and Miss Briscoe. "Study of Poems," by Supt. W. N. Saathoff and Profs. Roller and Hickman. A motion for early dismissal by Dr. Roller. Corn clubs to meet with Superintendent on Jan. 20th, at Hondo. All teachers advised to form Corn Clubs.

RECESS.

Address on Avoiding Grooves, Power of Prayer, Changes, Salaries, A Blessing on the Teachers, by Rev. Long. Committee on Course of Study called and reports given, accepted and filed. Committee on Local Institutes report given, accepted and filed. Resolutions for having one common Institute week, presented by Prof. Hickman, voted on, accepted and filed. Report on Resolutions presented by Dr. Roller, voted on, accepted and filed. Attention called to local Institutes. Invitations to Yancey by Profs. Cannon and Faselier and Miss Killough. Invitations to D'Hanis by Dr. Roller. Supt. W. N. Saathoff spoke of State Teachers' Institute at Waco. By vote of Institute Profs. Adamson, DeWald, Cannon and Miss Gilliam were elected delegates. After an interesting and short address by Supt. W. N. Saathoff the Institute adjourned, proclaiming this the most interesting one yet held in Medina county.

Resolutions:

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES.

Since the school library is indispensable, we, the Committee on Libraries,

beg to submit the following recommendations:

FIRST—That the greatest expenditure should be for the lower grades.

SECOND—That the books should be purchased in sets.

THIRD—That supplementary histories should be placed in the fifth grade up.

FOURTH—That each teacher procure the necessary funds in the way best suited to his community.

W. W. DOVER,
J. G. MATTHEWS,
J. R. DEWALD.

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL INSTITUTES.

We, your Committee on Local Institutes feel that the need for school improvements in many portions of our county is so great that some work should be done in some of these localities in local institute meetings. This will entail some expense and inconvenience, but we believe that the County Superintendent, the County Board and the local authorities should have the advantage of a rousing local institute in at least two or three cases.

We recommend therefore that the County Superintendent arrange with the local authorities and others for local institutes at Yancey and D'Hanis.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. ADAMSON,
H. SHEFFEY ROLLER,
W. L. SPRADLING.

COMMITTEE ON COURSE OF STUDY.

We, the Committee on Course of Study in the Medina County Institute do hereby recommend the following amendments to the course of study:

FIRST—That there be placed in the lower grades a course of study in literature which shall consist of fairy tales, fables, myths, legends, poetry, hero tales and other suitable literature. We believe that by this means the difficulties of teaching literature in the higher grades will be partly overcome by reason of the fact that the pupil will have been led early in life to a greater appreciation of literature.

SECOND—That a course in Spanish be placed in the schools of our state for those districts which prefer this language to Latin or German.

Respectfully submitted,
PEARL KILLOUGH,
LOTTIE SMITH,
C. A. RIDOUT,
J. I. CALHOUN.

RESOLUTIONS ON COMMON INST. WEEK.

RESOLVED—That the teachers of Medina, institute assembled, recommend that the time for holding institute be made the first week in Sept. of each year and that an outline be prepared by our State Supt. and that teachers be given their preference of attending their home institute or the one where they will teach and that we furnish a copy of this to our local representative, Teachers Associations and Conference of Education to use all honorable means to secure such legislation.

Signed.

G. MATTHEWS, W. W. DOVER,
V. L. SPRADLING, L. X. BARRON,
I. S. ROLLER, J. P. DEWALD.

MR. CHAIRMAN,

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg to state that we in committee formed and adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved 1st that we extend our thanks to Superintendent Saathoff for the fair, able and impartial manner in which he has presided over our meetings.

Resolved 2nd that we appreciate the favors, courtesy and attention which we have received from Prof. Hickman and his corps of teachers.

3rd That we extend grateful thanks to the Mothers' Club of Hondo for the unique entertainment due to their kindness and consideration.

4th That we are indebted to the people of Hondo for kindness and courtesy during our stay.

5th That it is the voice of this Inst. that the state of Texas be more liberal in her appropriations for the support of her public and educational institutions.

6th That these resolutions be published in the Hondo Anvil Herald, Devine News, Castroville Quill, Devine Reporter, D'Hanis News, Hondo Times, San Antonio Light and Express.

Signed

H. S. ROLLER,
J. F. DUKE,
L. X. BARRON.

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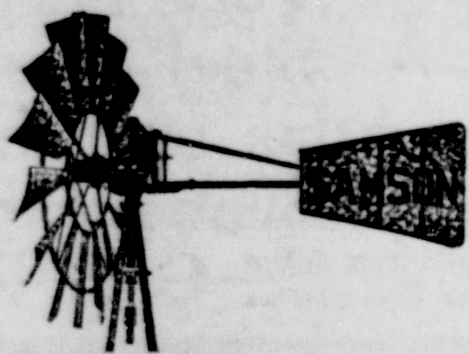
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NOTICE Mr. Huehner is unavoidably absent from the city, and during his absence parties having business with this paper are requested to see Mr. Louis Scherrer at Courand's store.

A baby boy gladdened the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Biediger, of Bader Settlement, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1911.

Two Mexican children who died at Mico, were brought to town Saturday and interred in the Mexican Catholic cemetery.

The tank tower and tank of Henry Tschirhart was burned to the ground last Sunday night. The loss amounts to about \$250. The origin of the fire is not known.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Biediger and children returned to San Antonio Saturday, after a two weeks visit to relatives in our midst.

Geo. Frey has resigned as bartender at the Farmer's Home Saloon, and with his family moved to the Mrs. Louis Biediger ranch. Jos. Bohl has been installed as barkeeper at the Farmers' Home Saloon.—The Quill.

D'HANIS DOINGS.

Items of Interest Culled or
Condensed from The
D'Hanis News.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McLeese with their little child arrived here on Sunday last on a visit to Mrs. McLeese's parents, Mr. and John M. Koch. The little child was quite ill on their arrival but now under the attention of Dr. Rahm is rapidly improving. Mr. McLeese has sold his newspaper which he conducted at Carrizo Springs and is now State organizer for Texas for the American Insurance Company with headquarters at San Antonio.

Mr. Henry Lutz who has been attending the St. Louis College at San Antonio has come home to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Mrs. Geo. Langfeld and Miss Maggie Rudinger were Hondo visitors on Friday last.

Messrs. T. J. Sauter and Chas. Boog were in Hondo last Saturday on business.

Mr. Alex Tondre, a former Editor of this paper was here on Friday last. Mr. Tondre is now in business at Castroville.

Mr. J. G. Heyen, the real estate man of Hondo, was in D'Hanis last Friday on business.

Messrs. Oscar Rothe and Raymond Ney made a pleasure trip to Hondo on Sunday last.

Miss Annie Hunnam, the teacher from Vandenberg, arrived here on Saturday last to visit her friend, Miss Kate Sathoff. On Monday both ladies left for Hondo to attend the Teachers' Institute.

Mr. F. J. Carle returned on Friday last from a week's business trip to San Antonio and other points in the interest of the D'Hanis Brick & Tile Co.

Mr. Frank Finger, who is employed

at the Hondo Lumber Company in Hondo came to town Sunday last to visit homefolks a day or two.

Mrs. Adolph Umlang of Utopia, came to town Saturday night to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Saathoff.

Messrs. Emil Schreiber, Nic Fohn and Henry Finger returned from a few days hunt on Monday evening. They brought back two fine bucks as trophies of their skill.

Misses Bessie and Maude Hanley arrived on Wednesday evening to spend their holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. L. Hanley. Mrs. Hanley left on Wednesday morning for San Antonio to escort the young ladies home.

Mr. Richard Reily is another one of our deer hunters fortunate enough to bag a buck.

Messrs. Ed. Zinsmeyer, Max Beyer and Joe Morales of San Antonio came in on Saturday night and went on a few days outing with Mr. Alf. Zinsmeyer. On their return they had no report to make.

Mr. Pete Britz who is now employed in San Antonio came in Monday on a short visit to home folks.

Father Keifer of Austin, Texas, will give a Lecture for the benefit of our local Catholic Church on the night of December 31.

Messrs. Jac. Reily and Paul Reinhart from here, E. W. Lacy, I. H. King, John Heyen, J. P. Wilson and D. H. Fly of Hondo were invited by the Medina Dam Company to go to their Dam and pass an opinion on the valuation of lands that the Co. will have to purchase from different owners.

Mr. Fred Carle and Mr. John Donnelly have formed a partnership under the firm name of Carle & Donnelly for the purpose of buying and shipping poultry of all kinds. They have already purchased and shipped about \$100 worth and expect to do a large business during the holidays.

Dr. R. E. Rahm who formerly resided here has returned to D'Hanis and expects to locate here permanently. This again gives us a resident physician which will fill a long felt want. We wish the doctor much success in his new undertaking.

On Thursday last the new firm of Rothe & Vogel ginned five bales of cotton. This is the last ginning for this season.

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CRUELTY TO POETRY.

The Author's Feelings Were Mangled as Badly as His Lines.

An editor was sitting in his office one day when a man entered whose brow was clothed with thunder. Flervely seizing a chair, he slammed his hat on the floor and sat down. "Are you the editor?" he asked. "Yes."

"Can you read writing?"

"Of course."

"Read that, then," he said, thrusting at the editor an envelope with an inscription on it.

"B," said the editor, trying to spell it.

"That's not a 'B.' It's an 'S,'" said the man.

"S?" Oh, yes, I see. Well, it looks like 'Sins For Dinner' or 'Souls For Sinners,'" said the editor.

"No, sir," replied the man; "nothing of the sort. That's my name—Samuel Brunner. I knew you couldn't read. I called to see about that poem of mine you printed the other day entitled 'The Surcease of Sorrow.'"

"I don't remember it," said the editor.

"Of course you don't, because it went into the paper under the villainous title of 'Smearcase Tomorrow.'"

"A blunder of the compositor, I suppose."

"Yes, sir, and that is what I am here to see you about. The way in which that poem was mutilated was simply scandalous. I haven't slept a night since. It exposed me to derision. People think me a fool. (The editor coughed.) Let me show you. This first line, when I wrote it, read in this way, 'Lying by a weeping willow, underneath a gentle slope.' That is beautiful and poetic. Now, how did your vile sheet represent it to the public? 'Lying to a weeping widow, induced her to elope.' 'Weeping widow,' mind you! A widow! Oh, thunder and lightning! This is too much!"

"It's hard, sir—very hard," said the editor.

"Then take the fifth verse. In the original manuscript it said, plain as daylight, 'Take away the jingling money; it is only glittering dross.' In its printed form you make me say, 'Take away the jingling honey; put some flies in for the boss.' By George, I feel like attacking somebody with your fire shovel! But, oh, look at the sixth verse! I wrote, 'I'm weary of the tossing of the ocean as it heaves.' When I opened your paper and saw the lines transformed into 'I'm wearing out my trousers till they are open at the knees' I thought that was taking it an inch too far. I fancy I have a right to murder that compositor. Where is he?"

"He is out just now," said the editor. "Come in tomorrow."

"I will," said the poet, "and I will come armed."

Laughed Too Soon.

Young Richleigh's father allowed him to take a trip to Europe. Before starting the youth made up a cable code of his own for possible use while abroad and handed a copy to his father, who locked it up in his desk without looking at it. A month later the elder Richleigh received a cable consisting of one word, "Laugh." He laughed. It seemed to be something quite pleasant. His code was at the house. He went up there in the best of humor. He got out the code and read, "Laugh—Send me \$500."—Boston Transcript.

Entertainment in the Home.

A Louisville barrister escorted his wife and daughter to a lecture and then to his wife's intense annoyance disappeared. He was on hand, however, when the meeting was over.

"Hello, there, Theodore," said a friend, meeting the barrister and his



"BEEN TO THE LECTURE?"

family in the street car. "Been to the lecture?" The lawyer stole a sidelong look at his wife's face.

"No," he answered in a subdued stage whisper. "I'm just going to it."—Success Magazine.

In the Match Line.

"When Edwin Gould took up the manufacture of matches seven years ago," said a New York banker, "his friends were a good deal amused, and many a joke was cracked at Mr. Gould's expense."

"I remember one June day at an open air luncheon at Tuxedo a superb four-in-hand dashed around a turn of the road, and we all looked up from our strawberries to admire it."

"That is Mr. Gould's team," said some one. "Who is driving?"

"Mr. Gould himself," a lady answered. "Doesn't he look striking on the box?"

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: : VIEWS AND REVIEWS : :

THE Anvil Herald wishes one and all a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

ALL some narrow, envious souls ever give "free" is knocks. The world soon recognizes that by their advertising it!

HAND us a dollar and have this paper sent to you for one year. There will be something doing in every issue and each copy will be worth the price of a year's subscription.

THE San Antonio Press Club is conducting a midwinter festival in San Antonio for the purpose of relieving the after Christmas dullness. The carnival will last until January 6th, and low rates are on all rail roads.

THE air-gun is a source of much pleasure to most young boys, but it is death to many a feathered songster and leaves a desert stillness where nature's sweetest melody should prevail. Banish the air gun and save the birds!

YES, son, you will find out that sometimes the fellow who pats you on the back and calls you a bully boy when you are winning your own way will be the first cowardly traitor to desert you and go over to the enemy when you really need him!

THIS is the season of New Resolutions. We have noticed that the weakest are usually the strongest on new resolutions. The strong man breaks away from his evil ways as soon as he discovers them and when others are loading themselves down with good rules to be observed only in their breaking, the strong man has no resolution to make further than the renewal of that daily resolve to do and be the best that lies within his power.

THE Hondo Anvil-Herald advises its readers that by paying \$3 to the County Treasurer they can secure a receipt that will exempt them from road duty during the coming year. It says many persons are availing themselves of this privilege in order to avoid the annoyance of being called out for road duty at inconvenient times and that as the money is turned over to the road fund to be spent on the roads the county really profits by the transaction. Working the county roads under skillful directions by men paid to do the work is a good deal better, generally, than calling out farmers and their help to make a pretense of it, as has so often been done under the old system that ought to have been abandoned long ago. — San Antonio Express. The Anvil Herald has consistently and persistently advocated the abandonment of our antiquated system of road-working and the substitution of the contract system. At one time, it seemed as if we were near succeeding but more conservative advisers thought our country was not ready to make such a radical change from the old system; hence our optional road-tax in this county. But the contract system is bound to come eventually just as other improvements and advances have had their evolution.

ONE of the best trade getters for any town is the reputation for being a good market for farm produce. It is the farmers' patronage upon which the town in a farming community must depend for its prosperity, and his market for his produce should be carefully guarded by his local merchant.

TO-DAY is your last day for paying your road tax. Better hurry.

Don't forget that the poll tax paying season is now open!

Lacoste Laconics.

BY BLUE BELLE

ED. ANVIL HERALD:-

Miss Sophie Geiger left for San Antonio Tuesday for a lengthy stay with her sister, Mrs. Louis Wettie.

C. McGarr and wife were pleasant visitors in the Alamo City Monday.

Miss Ida Etter returned home from San Antonio Thursday after a brief stay with relatives and friends.

Prof. L. H. Barron attended the Teachers' Institute at Hondo last week.

T. E. S. Tripp of Macdona was here on business Thursday.

Miss Clara Balmos of Devine boarded the train here this morning for Hondo to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Mechler of Hondo moved their household goods to their new residence here where they in future will reside.

Mrs. Lina Reichter and children moved from the Masterson Ranch to their new residence here where they will reside in the future.

Messrs. Heathcock of Lytle were pleasant visitors here Saturday.

Miss Maggie Krause of San Antonio spent the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. J. L. Mangold.

Fritz Geiger of the Bridge Gang is visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Nora Loessberg of San Antonio was here to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Mrs. M. A. Kaufmann and daughter, Miss Ida moved from their home at Idlewild to their new residence here this week where they will reside in the future. We welcome them to our town.

Miss Regina Mangold and brothers, Rob. and Alfred, attended the school entertainment at Idlewild Friday night and reported a fine time.

Gus. Tripp of Macdona was on our streets one day last week.

Mrs. Corley and daughters, Misses

Castroville Cullings.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hueser of Hondo are the guests of Mesdames Joe Carle Sr. and Sab. Marty.

Mr. and Mrs. Amo Jagge of San Antonio are here for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Watters were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Scherrer Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Droitecourt and little daughter of Hondo are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Holzhaus and children of Elmendorf are spending several days in our little city.

Mrs. Jack Mangold and daughter, Mrs. Otto Jungman, of Lacoste were shopping in town Thursday.

Little Gertrude Noonan is reported to be quite sick with measles.

Mrs. Emil Zuberbueller of Comstock and daughters, and Mrs. John Zuberbueller of Dunlay and little son were the guests of Mesdames Jos. Carle and Sab. Marty Christmas day.

Mrs. Gus. Keller and little daughter of Lacoste were the guests of Mrs. Keller's mother, Mrs. Leo. Tachirhart, Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Joe Mechler of Lacoste was here on a visit to Mrs. Pete Jungman Sr. Sunday.

Mrs. John Vollmer and daughter, Miss Gussie, returned home Sunday after a visit to San Antonio.

Mr. George Mangold spent several days at D'Hanis this week. George, look out! Too many pretty girls out there.

Miss Fannie Kilhorn of Hondo is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kilhorn.

Miss Mamie FitzSimon returned home Saturday after a lengthy stay in the Alamo City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Kilhorn Jr. of Hondo were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Kilhorn Sr. this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mangold of Bandera spent Christmas day with relatives here.

The Noblest Creed

Fletcher Davis.

He fails who seeks to write with pen of steel
Those promptings which his groping soul may feel;
For, be the legend what it may, those creeds
Alone are noble that are writ in deed!

—Holland's Magazine for December.

Sarah, Margaret, Genevieve and Miss Lucile Koontz, of San Antonio spent the Xmas holidays with Dr. L. A. Koontz and family and Mr. and Mrs. C. McGarr.

Misses Paulina and Alice Biediger, Florence Itis, and Ernestina Keller of Castroville spent Xmas with homefolks.

Messrs. C. Loessberg and Henry Reus returned from their deer hunt Saturday and were certainly lucky. They brought four big deer home with them.

A large crowd from here attended the Xmas dance at Castroville Tuesday night and reported a most enjoyable time.

Mr. Hy. Loessberg of Biry is here on business this week.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year to the Anvil Herald and its readers.

Lacoste, Dec. 26, 1911.

Notice to Tax Payers.

I will be at the following places on dates named for the purpose of collecting 1911 taxes. JOE NEY, Collector.

Devine, Jan. 8-9-10

Biry, Jan. 11

Dunlay, Jan. 12

Noonan, Jan. 15

Riomedina, Jan. 16

Lacoste, Jan. 17

Castroville, Jan. 18-19

D'Hanis, Jan. 22-23

Quihi, Jan. 24

H. B. Taylor, Tax Assessor will be with me for the purpose of taking 1912 assessments.

Share-Holder's Notice.

The regular annual meeting of the share-holders of the First National Bank of Hondo, Texas, will be held at its banking house on the second Tuesday in January, the same being the 9th day of January 1912, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

Geo. W. Jones, President,
J. M. Finger, Cashier.

Notice.

I request hunters and other trespassers to stay out of my pastures this winter. No exceptions can be made to favor my friends and any one found trespassing or disturbing and scaring stock, will be prosecuted according to law. 1-1-12. F. ROTHE.

For Sale, A half block in the Moeur Addition to Hondo for \$850.00 on easy terms. Hondo Land Co.

Upper Hondo.

BY LILLY

ED. ANVIL HERALD:-

A grand time was spent during the holidays up here. The school and Sunday school had a Christmas tree and a big crowd attended. They had some songs and recitations and after the presents were handed out and everybody received a present.

On Christmas night a merry crowd gathered at the school house to enjoy a dance. At 2 o'clock everybody went home and reported a good time.

Mrs. M. L. Saathoff and two little sons paid a visit to kin-folks at New Fountain last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sprott went to Comfort last week and took the train for Bell county.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Presler spent the holidays with relatives at Boerne.

Miss Theresa Saathoff of Hondo is here visiting home-folks.

Oscar Mangold and sister, Pauline, went to Castroville to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Schellhase and children went to Comfort to visit relatives and friends.

Messrs. Howard Trevathan and Dee Hughes of Bandera spent the holidays with friends here.

Messrs. George and Howard Hay of Mico spent the holidays with home-folks.

Dec. 28, 1911.

"Under the Laurels."

This five-act drama was played to a large audience at the Auditorium Wednesday night by the following—

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

Mrs. Milford Miss Dot Johnson
Rose Milford Miss Vera Jones
Polly Dowler Miss Eulah Cameron
Sooky Button Miss Emma Muennink
"Ky." Brantford Hal Jones
Frank Colewood O. N. Inabnit
Ike Hopper Orenith Fly
Bob Button Willie Windrow
Zeke Louis Brucks
Sheriff Walter McClaugherty

The play was a rather hefty one for the cast, but there was some splendid amateur acting despite the handicap and, on the whole, the play was a success of which the young people and their trainer may well feel proud.

The proceeds of the play will go to the benefit of the High School Library.

Notice.

Hunting or trespassing in any of my pastures is strictly forbidden under the penalty of the law.

Jacob Reinhart.

A San Antonio Business College Scholarship for sale at this office. tf.

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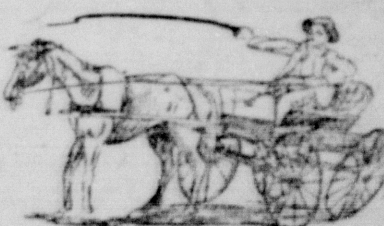
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A Happy New Year



A NOTE TO YOU

Next Monday is the beginning of a new year. Everything must have a beginning. Great things often times have very small beginnings. We trust that next Monday may be the beginning of a great year for you—a year great in prosperity and achievement and resulting happiness and that the first day of many succeeding years may dawn upon you in a like condition.

Yours truly,

W. H. WINDROW.

Hondo, Texas, Dec. 29, 1911

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Masquerade DANCE! Monday Night Jan. 1, 1912 at BIRY At Franger & Schmidt's Hall! Prizes given for the prettiest and the most comical maskers. Everybody invited!

W. E. Brucks was in town Thursday.

Buy your implements from Holloway Bros.

L. J. Brucks visited D'Hanis Wednesday.

T. J. Sauter was here Wednesday from D'Hanis.

Henry Loessberg was in town Thursday from Biry.

H. H. Heyen was here Wednesday from San Antonio.

Miss Lois Elder is back from her visit to Eagle Pass.

For Rent—The Whipple residence, apply to J. G. Heyen.

W. C. Horgan and family of San Antonio spent the holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Willmann spent part of the holidays in Seguin.

George Christilles was up from the Francisco Thursday on business.

Alex Marquis and M. L. Saathoff were down from Tarbley Thursday.

J. M. Lee, a tinner from San Antonio, is here assisting F. Kilhorn, the tinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Haass returned Thursday from a visit to relatives at San Antonio.

Fred Stich has moved his restaurant to Lacoste. This leaves Hondo without a restaurant.

No doubt we are missing many of the holiday visits, but no paper can exceed its limitations.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Goff returned Thursday from a several day's visit to relatives in San Antonio.

All kinds of nuts at Hutzler's.

Souvenir post cards at F. A. Heyen's.

Buy your implements from Holloway Bros.

Ask your merchant for piano contest tickets.

Fireworks of all kinds at F. A. Heyen's.

Mending and altering done by C. R. Hoover, tailor.

We are glad to show our goods; so call on Holloway Bros.

Make your real estate wants known to us. Hondo Land Co.

We can print most any thing in the job printing line. Get the Anvil Herald's prices.

Let Mechler & Co. do your plow work. Prompt and satisfactory service guaranteed. tf.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Holloway are spending the week with Mr. Holloway's parents at LaGrange.

Jack and Armin Bendele were here Thursday from Black Creek for the cotton grower's meeting.

More horse power by using Ventilex Collar Pads. Will always hold their shape. For sale by E. Huesser.

Following some raw, disagreeable weather all week, a nice shower of rain fell here yesterday morning.

The January term of the County Court will convene here at 1:30 o'clock p. m. next Tuesday, January 2, 1912.

Puttie Leggings made of the finest imported pig skin, moulded to fit the leg, for sale at E. Huesser's Saddle Shop.

Geo. Carle Jr. was the lucky winner of a prize in the San Antonio Light voting contest. The prize was a \$25 gold watch.

F. Kilhorn is erecting a 6000 gallon tank for Mr. Ilse at D'Hanis this week. Mr. Kilhorn also has contracts for three large tanks at Lacoste.

Buy your plow harness from Eugen Huesser. Remember they are all hand-made. Guaranteed to be made out of the best oak harness leather.

Don't delay any longer about subscribing for the Anvil Herald but order it sent to you at once and help your young lady friend win the piano by helping her clip the free coupons.

Mr. Jim Reed and daughter, Miss Nora, and Miss Annie Leinweber of San Antonio were here to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Graff. They returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Laurence left Tuesday for their home at Mineral Wells after a pleasant visit to the family of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Collier. They were accompanied to San Antonio by Mrs. Gertrude Hardy.

LOST—On the road between Hondo and D'Hanis, a cornet wrapped up in a new quilt. A liberal reward will be paid the finder if they will notify the D'Hanis News or the Hondo Anvil Herald.

Tin work at F. Kilhorn, Jr.'s.

Fresh coconuts at F. A. Heyen's.

Fresh fruits of all kinds at Hutzler's.

Let Holloway Bros. sell you a cook stove.

Belts and bathings of the latest style at E. Huesser's.

Call and look at our new line of buggies. Holloway Bros.

A big lot of new hand painted China just arrived at Windrow's.

Leopold Brieden Jr. is here to spend the holidays with homefolks.

Tin roofs and all kinds of repairing guaranteed. F. Kilhorn, Jr.

We want to show you our large line of implements. Holloway Bros.

Get your pecans, walnuts, almonds, coconuts, etc. from F. A. Heyen.

I sell the famous McChesney hand-made bits and spurs. E. Huesser.

Ask your friend about the canton planter and come to Holloway Bros.

Don't enter a business college before calling at this office and getting out price on a scholarship.

We are closing out the remainder of our stock of Fall and Winter Millinery at and below cost. Heyen & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Jenkins were here from Staples to spend Christmas with relatives. They returned home Wednesday.

Miss Lavenia McClaugherty was here from Sabinal to spend Christmas with her uncle, T. McClaugherty, and family.

Albert Bendele passed through here Tuesday returning from Utopia with a bunch of cattle he had bought in that section.

FOR SALE—Stove wood, Cord wood, long wood, stumps and posts. Line No. 19; one long, two shorts. Adolph Nietenhoefer. 10 4m

For Marble and Granite Monuments, Iron Fencing, Etc. see catalogue and designs at the Restaurant south of the depot. J. H. Henderson, Agent.

Buck Crabtree came home from Arizona to spend the holidays. He reports conditions prosperous out in that section. He returned Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Routt and little daughter returned to their home at San Antonio Wednesday after having spent the holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Hornung Jr. and Miss Paulina Hornung returned to San Antonio Monday after spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Hornung Sr.

Mrs. Catherine Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wade and Messrs. John and Wallace Wade, all of Corpus Christi, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Heath.

Hubert Weynand of San Antonio and August Weynand Jr. of Castroville spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Weynand. They returned Tuesday.

Rev. J. W. Long will preach a sermon to the ladies at the Methodist church tomorrow at eleven o'clock. He extends a cordial invitation to every one, however, to go out and bear him.

Now is your chance to buy a gun at cost. I intend to clean up my shot gun stock and to do so I will let them go at ridiculous figures for cash. Come and get one. Remember you get tickets in piano contest on these guns. C. R. Gaines.

Wanted—To hire one hundred drivers with 4-horse teams with harness and double-trees, to do scraper work. Also a few four-horse teams for freighting. Six dollars per day will be paid for man and team. Apply to Roach, Stansell & Crane, Contractors, Lacoste, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Hornung Sr. had as their guests at a Christmas dinner last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Hornung Jr., Miss Paulina Hornung and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Theile all of San Antonio. Albert Hornung of Port Lavaca, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Grimsinger, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Earnest all of Hondo. Other members of the family, Alois Hornung and Miss Albertina Hornung, were also present and a very pleasant day was spent by all.

At the annual election of Bois D'Arc Camp No. 154 W. O. W., held at the hall Wednesday night the following officers for year 1912 were elected: W. N. Saathoff, re-elected Council Commander; Reinhold Esser, elected Adviser; M. A. Chancev, re-elected Banker; H. H. Crow, re-elected clerk; J. N. Mask, elected Escort; S. A. Jungman, elected Watchman; Emil Heyen, elected Sentry; Dr. W. R. Smith, re-elected Physician; Joe Fohn, Isaac Wilson, H. B. Taylor, re-elected Managers.

About twenty-five representative farmers attend the cotton grower's meeting at the court house Thursday evening. The various features, such as reduction of acreage, warehousing, marketing, etc., of the movement to increase the price of cotton was discussed extensively, and a permanent organization was effected by electing Joe Langford, president, F. J. Leinweber, Vice-President, and H. E. Haass, Secretary. The county will be organized by precincts, the movement will be thoroughly discussed and studied, and all possible done in the effort to increase the price of the staple.

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Hino H. Rothe is here from Columbus, Ohio, to spend the holidays.

Holloway Bros. sell Studebaker buggies and wagons. The best to test.

The best is the cheapest in the long run. That is the Henny-buggy. E. R. Leinweber.

A marriage license was issued Thursday to Pleamon Campbell and Zora Clayton, both of Utopia.

What's the difference between story-telling traveling men and sheep?



Traveling men bring their tales to the fore, sheep keep their's behind!

LITTLE BO-PEEP

She lost her sheep

And didn't know where

To find them!

So she left them alone

And they came home

A hustling their

Tails behind them!

Mutton or Lamb Chops are nice for a change, try them!

E. H. Schweers

The Anvil Herald does job printing. Ask for your premium tickets at Heyen & Co's.

Call and look at our new line of buggies. Holloway Bros.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Brown came out from San Antonio to spend Christmas with home folks.

The Hondo Lumber Co., of Hondo, Texas

Takes great pleasure in assuring its patrons of its sincere appreciation of the business with which they have favored it during the year now closing, and extends to its customers and friends greetings and best wishes for a

Very Prosperous and Happy New Year

To Our Fall and Winter Stock of Merchandise

WE have a complete and well selected stock of the very best the market affords which we are selling at the lowest possible prices consistent with a legitimate profit.

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JACOB F. WOLTERS ANNOUNCES FOR BAILEY'S SEAT

Houston, October 7.—Hon. Jacob F. Wolters today announced his candidacy for the seat in the United States senate to be vacated by Senator Joseph W. Bailey. His statement follows:

To the Democrats of Texas: I am a candidate for the office of senator of the United States from Texas, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

I respectfully submit the following views:

1. I am a Democrat. Party organization is essential to the ultimate procurement of legislation through which correct principles may be applied to the administration of public affairs. To make such organization effective it is the duty of every Democrat to abide the judgment of the majority on all public questions as expressed in the party platform. The public servant, elected through the instrumentality of the Democratic party, is in honor bound by all honorable means to endeavor to procure the enactment of laws and policies to which the party is expressly committed. If elected, I shall to the best of my ability endeavor to carry out the instructions, demands and pledges made by the Democratic party, regardless of any individual views I may entertain on any given subject. If at any time the party should declare for a fundamental principle which in good conscience I could not support, I would at once return the commission to the people, in order that another might be selected. In my opinion, it is the highest duty of the public servant to obey the direct instructions of his constituency upon any question. This right has been recognized by the Democratic caucus in congress in more than one instance, even though such instruction is contrary to the views expressed in the national platforms. I shall deem it my duty to obey the direct instructions of the Democrats of this State upon any given question so long as my State leaves me under such instruction.

The views hereinafter expressed, as well as any other I may entertain upon public questions, will be subordinated to the judgment of the party as expressed in its platform.

Favors Tariff for Revenue Only.

2. I favor a tariff for revenue only, sufficient to meet the economical administration of public affairs, so levied as to apply in equitable proportions upon raw material and the finished product. When public policy, for any good reason, demands the absolute free competition on any particular article, raw or manufactured, the same should be placed upon the free list.

3. Monopolies in trade are destructive of that free and open competition essential to the enjoyment of prosperity which is the natural right of every citizen. To the preservation and strengthening of our federal anti-trust laws I pledge my earnest support by act and vote. With all due respect to the learned judges who constitute the supreme court, a majority of which held that the present federal statute in restraint of trade was intended to apply only to "unreasonable restraints" of trade, I am unable to differentiate between "unreasonable" and "reasonable" restraints. Therefore I shall vote to write plainly into the law that combinations in restraint of trade include combinations in restraint of trade of any and every character.

I favor the enactment of stringent statutes denouncing those engaged in such unlawful combinations in interstate trade as guilty of felony, punishable by confinement in the penitentiary.

4. I do not underestimate the importance of the proper solution of the many economic problems of general interest to the people of the nation, but I do most earnestly contend that we have reached that period in the affairs of our country when our public servants, both in the legislature of the State and in the congress of the nation, should give more attention to practical work for the material advancement of our people than to politics.

Waterway Improvements.

The comparatively near approach of the time when the Panama canal will be affording an outlet through ports of Texas for the products of all the great Southwest to the markets of the East emphasizes the importance of the speedy development and improvement of our deep water harbors, to the end that not only the people of our own State, but of the entire Southwest, may reap the benefits to which they are entitled by reason of their natural and superior location.

Each and every port on the Texas coast, including the port at Houston, is capable of being deepened by the

proper expenditure of sufficient funds so as to admit ocean-going steamers.

The interoceanic canal now under construction with a depth of five feet and forty feet in width, and in instances a depth of seven feet, should be speedily completed, and the depth increased to nine feet and the width to 100 feet, thus connecting the Mississippi and Rio Grande with a tributary through which freight may be carried on barges in unbroken cargoes from Pittsburg and intermediate points down the Ohio and Mississippi to all points on the Texas coast.

The rivers and other natural waterways of the State should be speedily developed and improved by straightening the streams, dredging them, and by the installation of a system of locks and dams, so that such freight could be carried in barges in unbroken cargo to points inland, as far as they are practicable for navigation, to the territory tributary to the Red, Sabine, Trinity, Neches, San Jacinto, Brazos, Bernard, Colorado, Trespasados, Navidad, Guadalupe, San Antonio, Nueces and the Rio Grande rivers, aside from other minor waterways possibly available for navigation by the expenditure of a reasonable sum of money.

With the completion of the interoceanic canal, and the making of these rivers navigable, Texas will be afforded an inland waterway system, such as no other country on the face of the globe possesses.

That the creation of this system is practicable, no man who has given the matter investigation and study will question for a moment. That it will come to us in time can not be questioned, but it is of the utmost importance to the living generation that the work of procuring sufficient appropriations to carry on the work in its entirety be done, thus bringing the projects to a speedy completion.

Benefits of Interoceanic Canal.

As an illustration of the benefits that will come to us by the completion of this inland waterway scheme, I call attention to one instance. The rate by rail on cotton from Corpus Christi to Galveston is 50 per cent per 100 pounds. Two years ago, a limited steamship service was installed, and has since been operated between the two points. The rate on cotton by this method of transportation is 25 cents per 100 pounds. This is a saving of \$1.25 per bale, and if it could be applied to every bale of cotton raised in the State, it would, on an average crop of 3,000,000 bales, save the farmers of Texas \$3,750,000, or a little less than \$1 per capita for every man, woman and child living within the State.

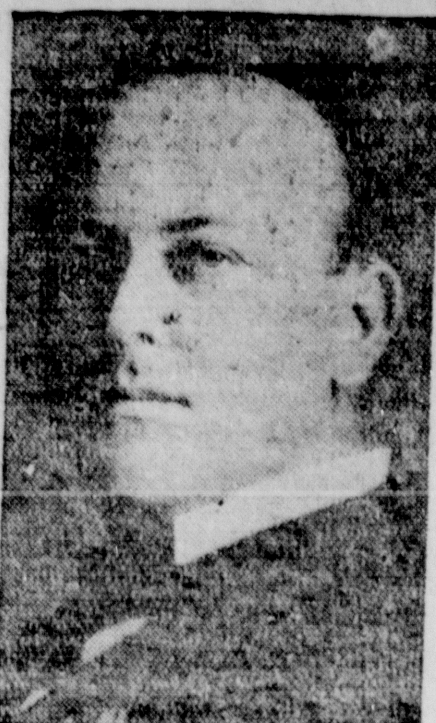
The completion of the interoceanic canal through which freight may be carried by barges drawn by steam tugs, the perils of navigation now present are eliminated and the expense is reduced to a minimum, still further lowering the rates.

The interoceanic canal is now completed from Corpus Christi to Matagorda bay, with an average depth of five feet, and with a width of forty feet at bottom. Appropriations have been made to complete the work of connecting up Matagorda bay with the mouth of the Brazos river. This work should be finished within fifteen months, thus opening this section of the canal for navigation between Corpus Christi, Galveston and Houston, and intermediate points.

With the canal completed and the rivers and other natural waterways connecting with it made navigable as far inland as practicable, this water transportation will be available to a great portion of Texas and require only a short haul by rail from other sections of the State to reach the water transportation. With the possibility of procuring cheap fuel by carrying it on barges through the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, thence through the canal to points on the coast and points inland, either by short haul, by rail or by the rivers made navigable, manufacturing industries will be increased, affording to our people, both the producers and the manufacturers, profit, and giving additional employment to many people and increasing our property values.

Many sections of Texas are still without railroads. One of the principal reasons why railroads have not been constructed through such territory is because in order to enjoy a profitable business railroads must be enabled over their own or connecting lines to deliver their tonnage to tide water. In many instances, in order for a railroad constructed through such undeveloped territory to reach one of the existing Texas ports or connecting carrier, it is necessary to construct many miles of road through territory already well supplied with railroads, from which no new tonnage can be developed, thus making the construction and operation thereof entirely too expensive to realize sufficient profits to earn interest on investment and expense of operation. With the completion of the interoceanic canal, railroads may be built from any direction and through any territory to any point on the canal as a terminal, by barges deliver its tonnage either to the shipside or to any connecting line of railroad accessible through the canal at any of the present ports or any other line similarly terminating at the canal.

I pledge my earnest and energetic efforts toward the procurement, in connection with the other senator from Texas and the representatives in the lower house, of sufficient appropriations to complete the interoceanic canal to a depth and width now advocated by the Inland Interoceanic Canal League of Louisiana and Texas; the speedy improvement of the inland rivers and waterways, and the early completion of all the deep water ports on the Texas coast, including the deep-



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ening of the Houston ship channel to the required depth.

Advocates Income Tax.

5. I favor an income tax to be imposed upon the income of individuals as well as corporations to the end that an equitable distribution of the burdens of taxation and the bringing about of the reduction of all tariff schedules may be accomplished.

6. I am in favor of electing United States senators by direct vote of the people, just as our present State officers are elected.

7. I hold that the natural resources belong primarily to the whole people and should not be alienated by municipal, State or national grant or franchise to individuals or corporations except for a limited period, and under proper restrictions.

The right of a people in the waters is inherent and inalienable; I believe that the federal government has no right and should not alienate or convey water by granting franchises or the use thereof for commercial power purposes in perpetuity without just compensation in the interest of the people.

The conservation of forests and waters is essential to the welfare of all our States and I endorse the work carried forward by the forest service and reclamation service concerning these great resources, and believe they should have adequate support.

Recognizing that the farming industry is the greatest industry in this State, much can be done to require the federal government to aid in the way of conserving its industries and such aid should be rendered especially to the agricultural department, agricultural schools and colleges by the federal government furnishing soil experts for the study of the best methods of conserving same.

For Local Self-Government.

8. I stand for the Democratic principle of local self-government and the application thereof to the relations existing between the federal and State governments. The autonomy of the State and its right through its courts to adjudicate matters involving the control and regulation of the intrastate business of public service corporations should be preserved inviolate, as well as all other rights that belong to the State.

9. The right of laborers, skilled or unskilled, organized for mutual protection, is an inherent one. Labor, organized or unorganized, is entitled to the benefit of proper legislation, especially applying to their respective crafts. Capital is likewise entitled to the protection of the law safeguarding its investments. In the apparent continuous struggle between capital and labor, each striving for an advantage, we should be just so that each may not suffer wrong at the hands of the government, and that each may be afforded just and constitutional protection. But ultimately, both of these classes of our citizens—the capitalist and the laborer—depend upon the great mass of average citizens that constitutes the producing masses of raw material and the consuming masses of the finished product for their support, through profits derived directly by the capitalist and indirectly by the laborer through the wage he is enabled to earn from the capitalist because of his dealings with the producer and consumer. In our efforts to define and maintain the rights of capitalists and laborers, we must be guided by wisdom and prudence so that the original producers and the ultimate consumers are not crushed between the upper and nether millstone. I think I may be permitted to say that my life's record should be a sufficient guarantee to the laborers in this State of my friendship for them. I have never played the demagogue. When I thought their demands for remedial legislation were just, I have aided them to the extent of my ability. When I thought these demands were unjust and not for the general public good I have had the courage to tell them so. Adopting as my guide the fundamental principle expressed in the declaration, "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none," I am constrained to believe that I possess judgment sufficient to conceive the rights of all concerned and the courage in the performance of the duty of a public servant to apply them in the enactment of proper and suitable legislation upon the subject.

Opposes Initiative and Recall.

10. I am opposed to the initiative, referendum and recall as same is advocated to be applied to our State and national government.

So important a proposed change in our form of government should receive our most careful and calm consideration. Into the discussion of its merits and demerits no collateral issue should be permitted to enter. In a paper of this character it is not possible to discuss so important a subject in all of its details. Briefly, however, I submit some of the reasons that impel me as a Democrat and citizen to most earnestly

protest against the partial, if not the entire, abandonment of representative government by the adoption of this system, new in our republic, though so old in the world's history that the ancient Grecians by the application of practically the same system to their republic finally found themselves converted into a despotism.

The term "initiative" as here used involves a scheme of initiation and direct legislation as follows:

A specified per cent of the voters of a State may submit a measure directly to the voters and if a majority of those voting vote for its adoption, it shall become the law without reference to the legislature or governor.

The term "referendum" as here used involves the following scheme: When a specified per cent of voters oppose a law which the legislature has passed, by presenting a petition praying that the measure be referred to a vote of the people, the law shall be suspended until the next general election, when the voters shall pass upon it. If a majority voting upon said measure votes "yes" it becomes the law. If a majority votes "no" it has the effect of repealing the act of the legislature and does not become a law.

The Oregon law is usually cited as a model. That provides that 8 per cent of the voters of the State may submit a measure under the initiative. It provides that if 8 per cent of the voters are opposed to an act enacted by the legislature, upon filing petition the act is suspended until the next general election, when the people pass upon it.

The matter of the number of voters who may initiate or who may upon petition procure the suspension of an act passed by the legislature and with reference to the voters, is of course a detail which various States may vary in so far as applied to their State government; as applied to the federal government, a certain per cent would, of course, have to be fixed. In any event, the proposition is that a comparatively small minority of the voters of the State or nation may in the one instance submit to the voters any law that their judgment may think wise or their fancies may dictate, and on the other hand suspend for at least two years the operation of any law enacted by the legislature and until the people have passed upon it at the next general election. Under the initiative, any person may write a law upon any conceivable subject, regardless of constitutional inhibitions, procure the specified number of signatures to a petition and this law would have to be voted upon by the people even though a vast majority should finally oppose it. Under that system there would be no assurance of stability of government. People in conducting their ordinary affairs under existing conditions, making investments of capital, skill or labor would find themselves continually harassed by proposed legislation seriously affecting their welfare. No practical man would venture to make investments of any permanent nature under these conditions. In order that our people may enjoy the ordinary prosperity to which they are entitled, there must be some measure of assurance that existing conditions, whatever they may be, are stable. It is the danger of changing conditions that withholds investments and retards development and progress. It would afford no cessation from continued agitation attendant with the usual strife and turmoil brought about by the campaigns incident to the submission of proposed legislation. Laws thus enacted would not be met with the check of the executive vote, but would become the law and remain in force until their validity could be passed upon by the courts. A law might be absolutely unconstitutional, so plainly so that no executive would prove it, and still it would remain in force regardless of its injurious results until the courts had an opportunity to declare it invalid.

Evils of the Referendum.

On the other hand, under the referendum, the most wholesome law passed by the legislature after consideration and deliberation and approval of the executive, might be suspended for a period of two years, at least until it could be passed upon by the voters at the next succeeding general election. This applies, of course, to any law, local or general, in its application. It would apply to an appropriation bill and could be used to suspend the putting into operation of a general appropriation bill providing means for the maintenance of the government, and thus leave our State officials without the necessary funds to pay the necessary expenses of the maintenance of our government and elementary and educational institutions.

At a recent election held in South Dakota under the initiative and referendum a ballot was used seven feet long and fourteen inches wide, containing six legislative acts printed in nonpareil type. At an election held in Oregon there was submitted under this system thirty-two acts, the titles of which only were printed upon the ballots. The number of acts which might be submitted under the initiative would be limited only to the number for the submission of which signatures could be procured to petitions, and under the referendum the number could be limited only to the number of acts enacted by the legislature for the suspension and reference of which to a vote of the people the requisite petitioners might be procured. We all understand how easy it is to procure signatures to any petition. Under that system a ballot might be created many times larger than the one referred to in South Dakota or in Oregon. Let us imagine, for instance, that such an act as our anti-trust law, election law, drainage act, appropriation bill, representative district reapportionment bill or national guard act, each of which necessarily contains many thousand words and hundreds of sections, should be either submitted under the initiative or, having been enacted by the legislature, referred under the referendum. The result would be a ballot containing so much matter that but few people, if any, could afford to take the time to read the same, much less do so understandingly. It must be remembered that under this system the law as submitted must either be adopted or rejected in whole. No amendments can be referred to them.

If any number of people should undertake to try to read these ballots in the election booths it would be impossible to have all of the qualified voters to vote!

This involves no criticism of the intelligence of the voters and their capacity for self-government. I believe the American people have demonstrated in more than 125 years of republican form of government their capacity for intelligent self-government under the existing system. But I ask every man who reads these lines, regardless of his avocation or profession, to answer for himself whether he would feel that he could, under the proposed system of the initiative and referendum, so thoroughly familiarize himself with even any reasonable number of laws upon which he, as a voter, might be called upon to pass, as to be sure of the wisdom of his vote, either for or against such measures. Theories are all well enough, but when it comes to the practical application of them we must take a practical view of matters. I dare to say that few men would spare the time from their ordinary affairs to study such laws before the day of the election sufficiently to be able intelligently to pass not only upon the principle involved, but upon the details of the legislation submitted. A citizen may easily reach the conclusion that a certain principle or policy proposed to the application of government is good or bad, but the methods of wording and framing proper legislation to carry such a principle or policy into a statute is quite another thing. Under our present system we, as a people, initiate laws by the agitation of a principle or policy through the press or forum, by the election of representatives to our legislative bodies favoring such legislation and by a political system of direct instruction to our representatives and demands for specific legislation through a political party, primary system and expressions in party platforms, or by petitions, directed to our representatives. Under our system we reach the conclusion for or against a certain principle or policy and we elect men to serve us in the legislature who are presumed to be able to carry this principle into a statute properly and correctly drawn. Under our system a bill providing for the principle or policy which we desire enacted into law is introduced by members of the legislative bodies and there referred to a committee for careful consideration and study.

If the bill as drawn contains a "joker" or language that is susceptible to misconstruction of provisions that are objectionable, these representatives of ours may make the necessary changes and submit the measure to the body of the legislature in proper form. There ample time is given for its careful consideration and for the adoption of such amendments as wisdom may dictate are essential to it. In other words, under our present system legislation is initiated by the people and enacted after careful study, deliberation and consideration, while under the initiative and referendum such opportunities are not afforded. No opportunity is had for amendment and the possibilities of drawing a bill artfully concealing a "joker" are many, which even if discovered by some of the voters can only be met after much agitation and a campaign of great magnitude, and which could only be avoided by the rejection of the entire measure. Without the intelligence or the patriotism of the people at large, I want to ask: Suppose that a general appropriation bill was referred to the body of the voters, how many of them would have the information at hand to afford them an opportunity to reach an intelligent conclusion as to the necessity or non-necessity for the appropriation of sundry funds for the various departments and institutions of our State? Under our present system, the legislature creates a finance committee who make a thorough investigation into the needs and requirements of the various departments, and then, after considering the amount of revenues that will be derived from all sources, make suitable and necessary appropriations, and after the committee has drawn the bill, it is submitted to the entire body, which then, after many days and sometimes weeks of careful consideration, finally enact it. It then reaches the executive, who, under the constitution, is empowered to veto the measure in its entirety or veto certain appropriations while approving others. The legislature and executive are afforded ample time and opportunity to investigate the needs and requirements of the different departments so as to intelligently understand what appropriations are necessary. Again, let us presume that a bill providing for the redistricting of the State into congressional, judicial, senatorial and representative districts is submitted to a vote of the people, how many men, regardless of their profession or avocation, and regardless of their intelligence, will take a map and the census report in order to ascertain whether such measure complies with the constitutional requirements and rightfully and justly apportions the State. How many men, regardless of their learning, will be able to pass in detail upon such a measure as our present election law? I mean, read it and understand it sufficiently to form a conclusion as to the correctness of its details. The present law itself is very voluminous and any law upon this subject must be. There are examples of extreme cases, I admit, but this criticism applies to practically every law that might be enacted and submitted.

I believe that the people of Texas should and will carefully consider this subject before they change the present system which has proven so satisfactory in the administration of our government. The reasons here assigned will be elaborated upon during the oncoming campaign.

Present System Good Enough.

Under the present system we have grown from thirteen colonies into forty-eight magnificent States; our population has increased from 3,000,000 to 50,000,000 people, from a struggling people who achieved their independence from foreign rule we have become the greatest nation on earth.

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I shall undertake to make an active campaign upon the issues as they are presented. I shall not hesitate to frankly state my views upon any public question.

Pledging my continued fidelity to the constitution of our State and the application of Democratic principles to public affairs as enunciated by Thomas Jefferson and refined by the crucible of time and experience and the unwavering loyalty of a native son of Texas, whose parents are themselves Texans born, I, for one, would prefer to adhere to the principles of the old-fashioned Democracy rather than soar into the unknown and treacherous realms of fancies, fables and fads.

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come the greatest nation on earth have prospered as a nation and enjoyed the blessings of free government. I can not conceive it wise we should change from this representative system to a pure democracy. Texas and the country at large have given this subject the earnestest consideration which it deserves, they will conclude that those who originally created our system of government, the men of whom which was demonstrated clearly in the running of the State has been adhered to by the long and illustrious statesmen of our State who have been gathering living ones whose conspicuous place in statesmanship of the nation State have distinguished themselves of prudence, patriotism and modern statesmen who can be sent to us fanciful theories, unsound by practical experience.

Coupled with the initiative and referendum is the recall, which, in my opinion, is as objectionable as either. The recall is this: Upon the petition of a specified per cent of the voters demanding the recall of a public official, at the same time naming a candidate to be elected to the vacancy, an election is ordered and held to determine whether the official shall be recalled and the name of the petitioner elected to his place.

Under our present system opportunity is afforded to recall a public official at the expiration of term by the use of a free man's ballot. At the same time ample provision is made and power vested in the constitution in the courts for the removal of county and precinct officials of corruption, malfeasance or who are incompetent, while the legislature impeach and remove from office members or State officers and members of the judiciary for corruption, malfeasance or incompetency.

Recall a Strife Producer.

The proposed system of the recall will produce constant strife and agitation and multiply our elections to an interminable number. A minority of voters dissatisfied for any reason with the actions of any public official can, under this proposed system, file a petition and bring on an election at any time. It is seldom in the administration of our public officials of high or small degree are not for the time being crying severely by some of the people, sometimes by a majority of the people, which acts, upon second thought and further consideration, are found to have been not only prompted by the highest order of patriotism, but wise in their beneficial effects. Moments of public excitement and passion such an officer would be subjected to the recall, the people involved a campaign and possibly result in harm rather than good to the public. It would tend to make of our public officials cowards and demagogues. What we need more than anything else in this country is men in the public service of high character, high ideals, with the moral courage to stand right to the end that the general may be preserved without being influenced by either the clamor of a crowd or the appeals of selfish interests. This is essentially a country of laws and not men, and in order to preserve the integrity of the republic both the constitutional rights reserved by the citizens from their government and the statutory laws enacted thereunder must be rigidly adhered to, regardless of consequences. A law is wrong, ample remedy is provided for its repeal. If the people desire to surrender any rights they have under the constitution reserved to them, provision is made where the constitution may be amended. Public officials must adhere to the letter and spirit of the constitution and to the laws as they are written. Under the present system, they violate either the constitution or the laws, there is ample provision to move them from public office, but a system where they have their being, are confronted with their peccadilloes and their acts are judged calmly and deliberately by the people. Under the proposed system, public officials instead of being tried before a tribunal of law, would be tried through the newspapers, street-corner gossip and the frenzied oratory of a forum only too often tinged with partisan zeal and prejudice.

Under the present system, as I have briefly pointed out, we, as a people, can initiate laws and such matters as the amending of the constitution, the issuance of bonds, the levying of special tax, the adoption of local option, local stock laws and kindred subjects are referred to the people while ample power exists for the recall of recreant public officials through the exercise of the ballot when election day rolls around, or for impeachment and removal for malfeasance, corruption or incompetency. I, for one, would prefer to adhere to the principles of the old-fashioned Democracy rather than soar into the unknown and treacherous realms of fancies, fables and fads.


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The Veteran is doing an important work in helping to establish records for dependent men who were the gray and the widows of such who seek pensions. Besides, it secures intercommunication between friends of the long ago whose inquiries are printed gratuitously.

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AN ARISTOCRATIC CIRCLE
 By DONALD CHAMBERLIN
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Tom Tomkins, the son of a rich packer, having no occasion to work, went abroad. He landed at Naples and took a train for Rome.

The railway coaches over there are built in compartments, and in a compartment with Tom was a lady traveling with her maid. The mistress appeared to be a highborn dame, and her maid treated her with unbounded reverence. The two conversed in a foreign language, though Tom, not being a linguist himself, couldn't tell whether it was Italian or French. It might have been Latin for all he knew.

Tom tried to get some information from the conductor, but failed, and the lady kindly came to his assistance in broken English. This started a conversation between her and him, during which it came out that she was the Princess Bobbeloni and that he was Mr. Thomas Tomkins of the United States. Furthermore, Tom let out during the ride to Rome that his father was an American millionaire. He didn't tell it in so many words, but managed to get it in so that he might show something to make him seem worthy of the notice of an Italian princess.

And here it should be explained that princes and princesses in Italy don't necessarily belong to the royal family. Italy formerly was broken up into small tracts or principalities. They are now united in a kingdom, but their princely families retain their titles.

Before reaching home the Princess Bobbeloni became very gracious to Signor Tomkins, as she called him, and invited him to visit her in her villa on the outskirts of Rome. But he was not to call for a week, since the place had been closed and needed to be opened. She took his address and promised to send him hers later. From something she said Tom gathered that she desired time to ask the American minister something about him.

The week passed, and Tom waited impatiently at his hotel without receiving any word from the princess. But a couple of days later a liveried servant called and presented a little note with a crest on it containing an invitation for 5 o'clock English tea at her villa. Tom presented himself at the hour named and found the lady in a sumptuous home.

"Ah, Signor Tomkins," she said in charming broken English. "I am glad to see you. I confess that having met you as a stranger I thought it prudent to make inquiries about you. And I am happy to announce that they have resulted satisfactorily. If there were titles in your country you would be at least a baron."

"Thank you very much," said Tom in bad Italian.

"How quickly you are picking up our language," replied the princess. "You will soon speak it like a native."

Tom drank tea with the princess, spending a delightful hour with her; then she dismissed him, saying:

"I will be happy to have you meet some of my friends. Let me see—this evening there is a court ball; tomorrow I dine with the Duchess of Chevrini; Thursday I am free. Have you any engagement for that evening?"

Tom said he had, but he would break it for the inestimable privilege of meeting the princess' friends. His evening was free, but with true American instincts he didn't propose to cheapen himself.

On the proposed evening Signor Tomkins presented himself at the princess' villa and was introduced to several princes, an English duchess, who was found useful as an interpreter, and other magnates. They were all very civil to Tom, considering that he was a titleless American, and he was delighted at mingling for the first time in his life with a real aristocracy.

Card tables were set, and the princess proposed bridge whist. Tom was honored by being placed at the hostess' table and especially so by having her for a partner. One of the gentlemen proposed to make the points 5 francs, but the princess would not consent to more than a franc.

Tom did not wonder that she objected to a sizable stake, for she proved a very poor player. She and Tom began to lose with the first game and lost steadily. Then the princess figured that she had lost 2,500 francs, or \$500. This seemed to trouble her, and she proposed to make the points stand for 10 francs each in order to recoup. Tom was a loser equally with her, but did not object. Meanwhile refreshments were served, including wine.

As the princess lost she kept proposing to double the stakes, and at midnight Tom found himself playing for \$20 a point and had lost \$7,000. His partner was plunging desperately to regain her losses and raising the stakes with every plunge. At 3 in the morning Tom and the princess were losers each to the amount of \$25,000, and Tom, who usually could drink as much as any one, found himself affected by the wine. At daylight he gave checks on his bankers for his losses, and, as the princess begged him to do the same for her, he consented.

The next afternoon Tom woke up and went to his bankers, to find that he had given checks for \$75,000.

This didn't trouble him, but when he went to the princess' villa to leave a card he found it deserted. It had been hired for the occasion. His introduction to aristocratic European society had been costly, and the society had been swindlers.

BRILLIANT IDEAS.

"I've found a new use for those gramophone records you bought last week, and which cost such a lot of money," said his wife.

"How clever you are!" he exclaimed. "What is your latest?"

"In the first place," she began. "I hold a skein of wool over my arms, tie one end of the wool on a reel, place the reel on the gramophone pin, and then start the machine. The wool is wound up in no time!"

The fond husband gaped in admiration.

"But that is not all," she continued. "Tomorrow I shall place a little bath-brick on one end of the records, start the gramophone, and so clean the knives."

He is still gazing.

Unconventionalities.

"I don't mind your talking to me, Goovius, but I wish you wouldn't breathe in my face."

"No, Chiggers, I can't give you a letter of recommendation; I know too much about you."

"Oblige me by talking about the weather, Jack; mamma is listening at the keyhole."

"I've just been trying to think, Doctor Fourthly, where I first read that sermon you preached last Sunday."

"They tell me, sir, that any scrub lawyer can get a divorce for a man. That's why I have come to you."

"I don't know who you are, mister, but I know what you are; you ought to travel in a hog train."

No Calomel Necessary.

The injurious effect and unpleasantness of taking calomel is done away with by Simmons' Liver Purifier, the mildest known liver medicine, yet the most thorough in action. Put up in yellow tin boxes only. Price 25c. Tried once used always.

Can you figure out the mental processes of the individual who finds pleasure in trying to send objectionable postal cards through the mail.

When your feet are wet and cold, and your body chilled through and through from exposure, take a big dose of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, bathe your feet in hot water before going to bed, and you are almost certain to ward off a severe cold. For Sale by all dealers.

J. M. Chisham got his breath back by being careful in his diet. Then he ate blackberry pie, and lemon pie, and now isn't so well.

The Adolph Haass homestead at Devine, consisting of a three-room house and a good well situated on three acres of land in three-quarters of a mile of town, is for sale for \$500 cash or bankable notes. Apply to the owner in Hondo, C. F. Haass, Devine, or to either member of the Hondo Land Co.

Frequently the way of the transgressor is hard on the police.

Many a man's innocence depends upon the ability of his lawyer.

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 Have you ever made an effort to save a little of your monthly income and to invest it where every dollar will work **HARD, FAST AND PERMANENTLY**

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"Stint" and "Stunt."
 Stint is a good word as a noun. As a verb it means something not quite so pleasing. Do not confound it with stunt, however. A stunt is something quite useless. It is the horse-play of the mountebank, and has nothing in common with honest, productive labor. A stint is the warning to the wise that something demands to be accomplished; a goad to the laggard that time is on the wing.—Atlantic.

Recognizing People.
 Data have been gathered in Germany with reference to the distance at which persons may be recognized by their faces and figures. If one has good eyes, the Germans claim, one cannot recognize a person whom he has seen only once at a greater distance than 82 feet. If the person is well known to one, one may recognize him at 300 feet and if it is a member of one's family, even at 500 feet.—Scientific American.



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PERSONALS

Mention the Anvil Herald to our advertisers.

Fresh fruits of all kinds in season. F. A. Heyen.

The Henny Buggy has no superior. E. R. Leinweber.

Louis Heath, Sr., was here Sunday from the Chicon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Koch were over from D'Hanis Sunday.

J. N. Mask and Emil Heyen spent Christmas in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Seraphin Keller were San Antonio visitors Sunday.

Judge Michael Schorobinsky was transacting business here Tuesday.

The local Masonic Lodge holds its regular monthly meeting tonight.

Discard that wornout rig and get a new turnout at E. R. Leinweber's.

Try the Anvil Herald one year for one dollar—less than two cents a week.

The vehicle built for service—Henny Hacks and buggies. E. R. Leinweber.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Wohlschlagel and children visited in San Antonio Sunday.

Mrs. Emabel Rogers entertained her young friends with a social Monday evening.

Mrs. G. W. Monkhouse and son, Joe, left Tuesday for a few days' visit to Gonzales.

Make your wife happy with a Henny buggy for a New Year present. E. R. Leinweber.

Wm. Buss returned to his home at Seguin Sunday after a pleasant visit to relatives here.

R. B. Williams and sister, Miss Effie, of Nixon are guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Elder.

A \$375 piano in good condition will be sacrificed for \$100. Call at this office for particulars.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Droicourt and Miss Fannie Kilhorn were passengers to Castroville Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Allen sends the Anvil Herald to her son, Clarence, for a Christmas gift this week.

For sale, a second hand sewing machine, as good as new, for twelve dollars. Apply at this office.

Send the Anvil Herald to your relatives and friends elsewhere. It will be a weekly news-letter to them.

Lee McNutt and Roy West have returned from a pleasant sojourn in Comfort and "other foreign sea-ports".

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Conley of Corpus Christi are here visiting. Mrs. Conley's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Horgner.

Read the scale of votes for subscription payment in our display notice and note how you can make them count double.

W. F. Miller and A. P. Jones were returned the latter part of last week from Lacoste. They report that little burg building up fast.

We wish to go to press with this paper soon after noon on Friday of each week and in order to do so must have copy in early—please.

The best materials and the most skillful of workmanship combine to make the Henny buggy the best on the market. E. R. Leinweber.

Isaac Wilson and John M. Finger enjoyed a hunt on the Finger ranch last week. While they did not bag any game they had a good time.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Conley entered them a pleasant surprise party at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Horgner Thursday night.

If you are interested in an easy-payment plan of investment call at this office and see a plat of the famous Los Angeles Heights addition to San Antonio.

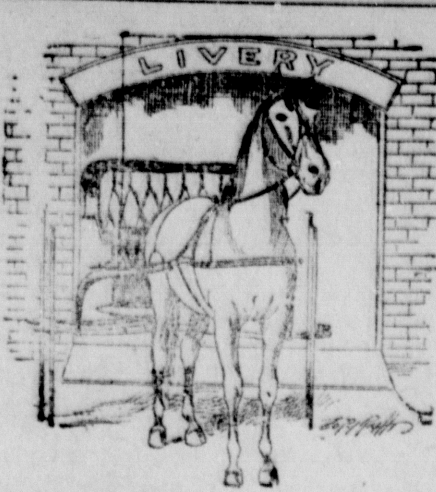
LOST—A two-year-old brown horse, white spot on nose and on forehead, branded LL-bar on left shoulder. Finder will please notify Algin Mumme, phone 19-2-2, and be rewarded.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Monkhouse and baby and Mrs. Bradfield left the first of the week for the latter's home at Waelder. The little one is recovering rapidly from its recent attack of fever.

E. C. Thorp passed through here this week going to and returning from San Antonio on business. Mr. Thorp is preparing to launch a newspaper at Knippa, Uvalde County. We wish the young man success.

The body of Richard Birdwell, (colored) who disappeared three weeks ago, was found by L. T. Ahr, who is working with the engineers of the Medina Irrigation Co. ditch, behind the Cross Hill in a ravine last Monday morning. The body was slightly decomposed. Judge Hoag held an inquest Tuesday morning, after which the remains were interred in the potters field.—The Quill.

Messrs. Ed. H. Ingram, J. W. Miller, Lake Miller and Clarence Van Fleet returned Tuesday from an eleven days' hunt down in McMullen county. They bagged 150 quail and caught a bob-cat that measured four feet in length. While chasing the cat they crossed the Nueces river and when they returned there had been a considerable rise in the river and his guide had to carry them across on his back. They report lots of rain in that section.



Did You See
that rig the other day? There is one here for you. Ring 37 ---order it now
HONDO LIVERY & FEED STABLE
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Proprietors.

Some of the friends of the young ladies in the piano contest have been clipping the nomination blank instead of the free coupon. The nomination blank only counts for one time. Save the Free Coupon.

For Sale, one of the most desirable building sites in Hondo for \$425.00. A 130-foot southeast front. This property will be sold for \$25.00 cash and equal monthly installments to suit the purchaser at 8 per cent. Apply to either member of the Hondo Land Co.

FOR SALE, three choice lots south east corner block, and a neat three-room house near the school house for \$1600. Will sell house and one inside lot for \$1100. Either proposition is a bargain. See the Hondo Land Co., Taylor & Davis, Managers.

For Sale, A 520 acre farm eight miles south of Hondo, 50 acres in cultivation, 100 more can be cultivated, four room house, two wells, windmill, barn and tenant house. Soil is black sandy. Price \$12.00 per acre, half cash and balance in one and two years at 8 per cent interest. Apply to either member of the Hondo Land Co.

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These Fine Ornaments

enhance feminine grace and beauty, and accentuate the seductive lines of the neck and gives poise to the head. Realizing this fact we have bought a splendid quantity, containing many beautifully designed ones. Come in and try them on. You will appreciate both the goods and the prices.

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HONDO, - - - TEXAS

THE PIANO CONTEST.

Below we give the result of the sixth count of the votes in our piano contest. The count was made Thursday evening after the close of business and is as follows:

Jessie Laughinghouse	47,695
Emilie Leinweber, Hondo	38,853
Vera Jones, Hondo	32,105
Selma Mueller, D'Hanis	10,360
Lena Marquis, Tarpley	7150
Belle Hancock, Hondo	5940
Della Oefinger, Dunlay	3550
Hulda Wurzbach, Riomedina	2070
Ida Tondra, Castroville	2050
Minnie Balzen, Dunlay	1480
Clara Lebold, Dunlay	1360
Annie Schott	1340
Hulda Muennink, N. Fountain	870
Marie Filleman	850
Frieda Poerner, Devine	760
Dorothy Metzger, Hondo	760
Mabel Hollaway	760
Lela Hurt, Hondo	750
Pauline Hornung, Hondo	700
Mattie Brieden, Hondo	610
Cecilia Weyand	610
Lola Mask	610
Emma Nietenhoefer, Dunlay	610
Augusta Neumann, Hondo	610
Meta Bippert	610
Frances Schmitt, Castroville	510
Olga Droicourt	510
Pauline Vollmer	510
Alice Biediger	510
Pauline Mangold, Tarpley	510
Meda Boehme, Riomedina	500
Nora Rihn, Castroville	500
Regina Mangold, Lacoste	500
Annie Burgin, Yancey	500

Masonic Banquet.

About seventy Masons, their wives, daughters and sisters enjoyed a grand banquet at the Armstrong Hotel Thursday evening. The menu consisted of oyster stew, roast turkey, salads, cake, fruits and coffee and was served in three courses. The dining room was tastefully decorated in the national colors while the place cards were blue and adorned with the square and compasses, emblematic of the Blue Lodge.

At the close of the repast brief but eloquent addresses were delivered by Revs. J. W. Long and M. L. Darby and Judge Blocker. Their witty sallies were happily interspersed with wholesome and instructive expositions of the tenets of Free Masonry and all were very much edified. Mints and cigars, the compliments of Mrs. Johnson, were passed to the guests as they filed out of the dining room.

All report a most enjoyable evening and are unanimous in voting thanks to Mrs. Johnson for preparing so delightful a repast.

A Sad Tragedy.

Joe Miller, a workman on the irrigation canal near Castroville, was locked up in the old Castroville jail some time Monday night. Two others were locked up at the same time but in separate cells. Some time during the night, some hay and the bedding and clothing of Miller caught fire in some unaccountable manner and the unfortunate man was burned to a crisp.

His cries and those of his fellow inmates were heard by the neighbors but little attention was paid to it as they were known to be drunk when incarcerated. When assistance did arrive it was too late.

At last report, the remains were being held for instructions from his family in Topeka, Kansas.

Barn Burns.

The barn belonging to Nic Koch, residing a few miles west of town, caught fire from some unknown cause and was destroyed about 4:30 o'clock a. m. Wednesday. When discovered the building was completely enveloped in flames and very little of its contents were saved. All of Mr. Koch's corn, milo maize, etc., as well as his buggy, farming implements, harness, etc. were destroyed and all that saved the live-stock was the fact that they had been turned into the pasture. The loss is about \$2,500 and there was no insurance. Mr. Koch has the sympathy of all who know him in this misfortune.

Dunlay Dots.

The following pupils attended school every day for the past month: Alvira Meyer, Melinda Erk, Margaret Wiemers, Lena Wiemers, Adolph Haby, and Josie Meyer. Those missing only one day were: Emma Schutle, Olga Hutzler, Ella Hutzler, Maggie Reitzer, Lena Reitzer, Herbert Erch, Christian Wiemers, Julius Hutzler, Edwin Schulte, Elmer Haby, Robert Schulte and Oscar Reitzer.

Respectfully,
W. M. STUDER.

Dunlay, Dec. 22, 1911.

Notice.

No hunting allowed in our pastures with dogs or guns.
2-1-12. Haegelin Bros.

The Foreign Dollar.

The foreign dollar is the biggest dollar on the financial horizon. It is the most powerful factor in the world's progress and it moves the star of civilization at will. It follows the line of least resistance and prosperity waits in attendance upon it. It is the most voluminous and congenial of our currency. The foreign dollar is a cautious, leisurely investor, loves good company, is seldom found alone and is quickly woven into the industrial fibre of the State. It soon learns to speak our language, play our games and drink our drinks, and when its presence is no longer desired, it quickly departs. Only gigantic enterprises appeal to it and wherever it goes, it builds empires. It is the development dollar.

The essential element to our progress is the volume of money available for investment. To develop our agricultural, industrial and mineral resources will require an investment of ten billion dollars. Our production will not exceed consumption more than fifty million dollars per annum, which is hardly sufficient to run our errands and to no perceptible extent can it take part in the development of the State's resources. This is a work that must be done by the foreign dollar. We do not increase our wealth when we borrow from each other but when we negotiate a loan on the outside of the State, we bring money into Texas, or when foreign capital moves to Texas, we have increased our wealth. It is the foreign dollar that must develop Texas.

The Need of Cheap Money.

An illustration of the importance of cheap money to our prosperity may be obtained when we consider that of the total value of all farms which is \$1,822,713,000, only \$583,268,160 is owned in fee simple by the farmers operating the farms and the balance of \$1,239,444,840, is mortgaged or operated by tenant farmers. Reduce the rate of interest one cent per annum on this enormous sum and we have a saving of \$12,000,000. Of course the tenant farmer does not owe for the farms, but it is his ambition to acquire the property and he is, as a rule, a waiting customer for money to buy a home and cheap money will improve his opportunity for buying a farm and lighten his burden. The Texas farmer needs cheap money.

Where To Get Tickets.

The following firms are giving tickets in the Anvil Herald's piano contest on the basis of 100 votes for each dollar cash purchase. Don't ask for tickets on time purchases.

C. J. BLESS,	General Merchandise
HONDO MERCANTILE CO.,	General Merchandise
HEYEN & CO.,	General Merchandise
W. H. WINDROW,	Druggist
C. R. GAINES,	Hardware
F. A. HEYEN,	Confectioner
W. E. CLARK,	Photographer

Be sure to ask for tickets when trading with these firms and bring them to this office and vote them for the young lady of your choice or give them to her.

J. A. Blackburn was in town yesterday.

Mrs. F. S. Wolff visited San Antonio Sunday.

In profane history lovers may swear to be true.

Don't ask favors if you can't stand an occasional turndown.

Marriage is likely to be a failure if the husband isn't a paying institution.

If a man fails people have no use for him and if he succeeds they hate him.

Honesty is the best policy, but look at the millionaires in the United States senate!

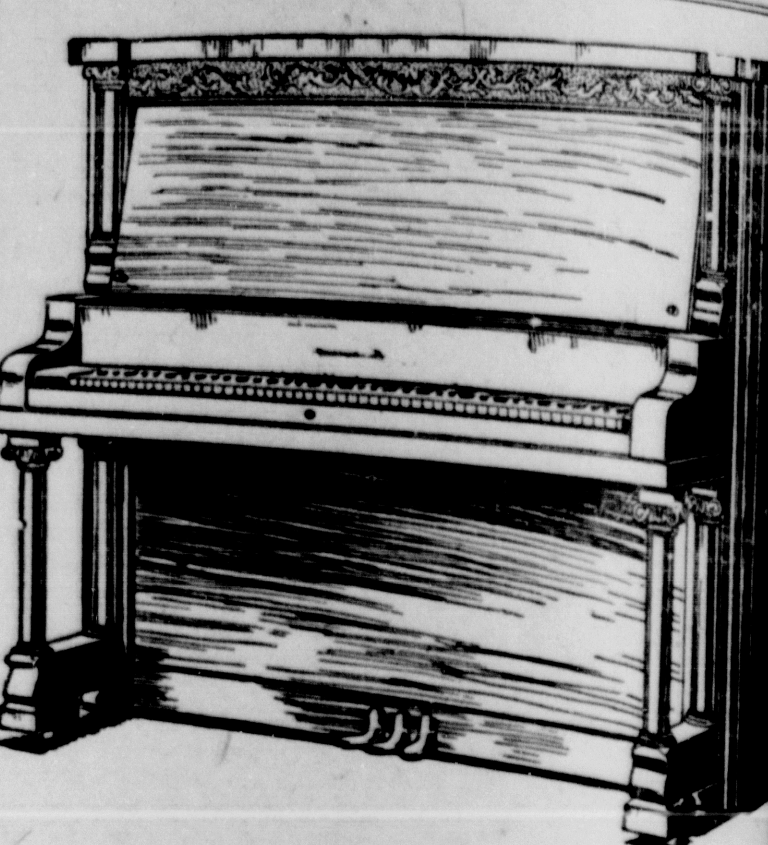
If the flood had lasted a few days longer Noah's wife would have started in to clean house.

A TEXAS WONDER.

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, removing gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two month's treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo. Send for Texas testimonials. Sold by druggists.

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NINETEEN YOUNG LADIES TO GET BUSY



REMEMBER

there are nineteen prizes to be given to as many young ladies in Medina County, as follows:

THE PRIZES:

FIRST—\$325 Hinze Piano, Style No. 81, Mahogany finish, new style case, with scarf and stool. This prize will be awarded to the young lady receiving the most votes.

SECOND—The young lady receiving the next highest number of votes will be given HER CHOICE of a \$100 due bill good for so much cash on the purchase of a piano, a \$5 scholarship in Draughon's Business College or the \$35 sewing machine.

THIRD—The one receiving the next highest will be given HER CHOICE of the two remaining prizes, and

FOURTH—The next sixteen, in the order of their number of votes will be given a piano due bill or choice of either the scholarship or the machine if neither have been chosen.

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 26, 1911.

Mr. Fletcher Davis,

Hondo, Texas.

Dear Sir:—

The sixteen due bills which we are to furnish you for your piano contest are as follows:

The first four will be good for \$100 each; the next four \$90 each; the next four \$85 each; and the next four \$75 each.

These due bills are not to be cashed but may be transferred from one party to another and are good for their face value as so much cash on the purchase of any new piano in our stock at the catalog price. Holder can call at our store, select piano and get price or same before presenting the due bill if they desire.

Due bills will be valid for three months from their date of issue, which will be upon receipt of your order for same at the close of your contest.

Yours truly,

San Antonio Music Co.

If there is a young lady in Medina County not now in the race and who expects to be in the market for a piano during the next six months we want her to fill out the coupon below and get in the race. Win one of these due bills and save from \$75 to \$100 on the purchase of your piano. When this advertisement is taken out of the paper the nomination blank will not appear again.

NOMINATION COUPON

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I Nominate Miss

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\$1.00 Subscription payment, 1 year	100 votes
2.00 " " 2 years	250 "
3.00 " " 3 "	450 "
4.00 " " 4 "	700 "
5.00 " " 5 "	1000 "